

CHARLOTTE STREETCAR

STARTER PROJECT



Starter Project Fast Facts

1.5 miles of track
from Presbyterian
Hospital to the Charlotte
Transportation Center

Estimated Cost is
\$37 million

- \$24.99 million from Urban Circulator Grant
- \$12 million from City of Charlotte

The project will utilize
½ mile of track along
Elizabeth Avenue.

Construction begins
December 2012.

Revenue service anticipated
to start in 2015.

For more information on
the project, visit
www.charlottefuture.com.

Project Manager
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*Engineering &
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Final Open House for Streetcar Starter Project scheduled for Dec 6th

Join us for the final open house before construction begins on the Streetcar Starter Project. Anyone interested in hearing more about the project is welcome to drop in from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, Room 267. The project team will be on hand to answer any questions and provide construction information. The final plans and the results of the bid process will also be available for viewing.

If you aren't able to attend the meeting, please submit your questions to Streetcarproject@charlottenc.gov and someone will contact you with more information.

Utilities begin work along the Streetcar Corridor

Charlotte residents and visitors will notice some construction and road work taking place along the anticipated Streetcar Starter Project corridor in the coming months.

Several utility companies will begin utility relocation in anticipation of the Streetcar construction which begins in December 2012. The work involves the removal and relocation of underground utility lines.

Although there will be lane closures during the utility work, traffic will continue to move through the corridor. Local businesses will remain open during the work.

To sign up for construction updates and traffic information, visit the Streetcar Starter Project page at www.charlottefuture.com.



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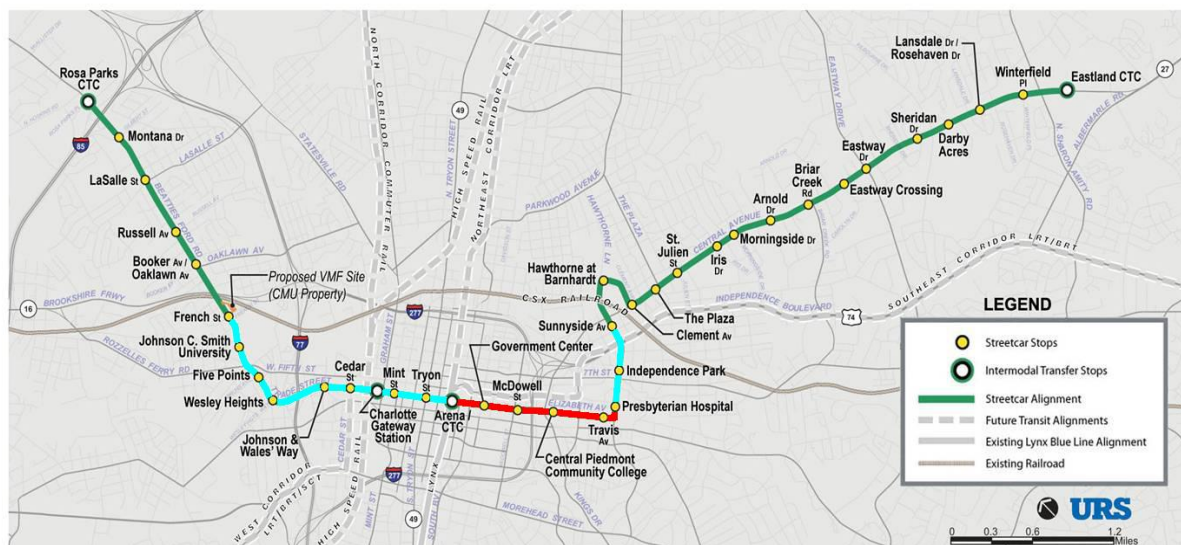
Streetcar Extension proposed in City's Capital Investment Plan

In early 2012, the Charlotte City Manager Curt Walton presented a Capital Investment Plan (CIP) to the City Council for approval. This plan included \$119 million for a 2.5 mile extension of the Charlotte Streetcar Project. The CIP was not approved and the extension is on hold until future funding becomes available.

The proposed expansion would have extended the Streetcar Starter Project west to French Street and east to Sunnyside Ave. It would have added approximately 11 stops, purchased 7 modern streetcars and upgraded the maintenance facility to accommodate the new vehicles.

The Streetcar Starter Project is funded by a \$24.99 million Urban Circulator Grant and \$12 million from City funds. The proposed extension has no impact on the planned construction of the Starter Project.

The entire Streetcar Project is still part of the Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) 2030 Transit Plan. The Starter Project is a shorter version of the original Streetcar plan. The City is using this as a way to begin Streetcar construction. The overall 10-mile Streetcar corridor will still run from the Rosa Parks Place Community Transit Center on Beatties Ford Rd. through Center City to Eastland Mall on Central Avenue. The line will have 37 transit stops and will connect the City's east and west sides.



This map shows the Streetcar Starter Project (Red), the proposed CIP expansion (Teal) and the entire Streetcar Corridor (Green).

Save the Date

**Join us for the official groundbreaking
for the Charlotte Streetcar
Starter Project!**

**City officials will join our community
partners to commemorate this
historic event**

December 12, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

**Presbyterian Hospital
200 Hawthorne Blvd.**

Community Involvement Is Key

The City would like for you to be involved as we build your Streetcar. To find out about the project, visit www.charlottefuture.com and sign up for Notify Me. This subscription service allows us to keep you updated on the project as we move forward.

This is a publication about the City of Charlotte Streetcar Starter Project. The update is compiled on behalf of Engineering & Property Management by the City of Charlotte Corporate Communications & Marketing Office. Questions about the project and the items highlighted in the publication should be directed to Corporate Communications & Marketing (704) 353-1157 or send an email to Streetcarproject@charlottenc.gov.